

# **Public Health Council**

## ***Emergency Preparedness and Response Committee***

Wednesday, January 13, 2016  
1 West Wilson Street, Madison, WI 53703  
Room 250-D  
8:00 – 8:30a.m.

*Public Health Council Members* Bill Keeton, Dale Hippensteel  
*Div. of Public Health Staff:* Joe Cordova, Maria M. Flores, Tasha Jenkins, Mimi Johnson, Cindy Virnig

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This discussion was to further discuss having Council members who are part of the Emergency Preparedness and Response Committee (Dale Hippensteel, Jim Sanders, Mark Villalpando) participating as Council liaisons to the Division's Public Health Preparedness Advisory Committee (PHAC).

- Doing this would avoid duplication of efforts, and allow for timely information to flow to PHC members. This would also allow the Council members who will attend those meeting to be more deeply involved and informed.
- The Public Health Preparedness Advisory Committee meetings are held the day prior to Council meetings, and would be a substitute for the PHC Emergency Preparedness and Response Committee meetings.
- This change will fulfill the Council's statutory charge of "coordination of responses to public health emergencies" (Bylaws § 1.03); therefore, the Bylaws and committee description may not need to change significantly.
- If needed, the Council's Emergency Preparedness and Response Committee members may meet apart from the PHAC meetings.

Joe Cordova will provide the yearly Preparedness report that is submitted to the Homeland Security Council.

The Council's Emergency Preparedness and Response Committee members will provide regular updates to the Council, and work to coordinate any reports to the Council if there is any aspect of emergency preparedness they feel are necessary for Council members to know.

Eric Krawczyk is a member of the PHAC. He and the members of the Council's Emergency Preparedness and Response Committee can provide the updates to the Public Health Council.

This will be further discussed in the January 15, 2016 Executive Committee meeting to bring to the full Council for a vote.